

COUNCILMAN MARK KERSEY

NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM THE FIFTH DISTRICT



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Recap of Meet the Chief in District 5



In June, District Five residents had the opportunity to meet and greet SDPD's new Chief of Police, David Nisleit. Chief Nisleit is a 30-year SDPD veteran and a District Five resident. As Chief, one of his top priorities is filling the department's 200 open positions without lowering standards.

For years, the City has struggled to recruit and retain police officers. The Mayor and Council have recently taken the aggressive steps necessary to tackle this issue, including pay increases of up to 30% and a professional recruitment campaign.

Additional Police Department highlights from Chief Nisleit:

- New Neighborhood Policing Division that focuses on outreach and enforcement for quality of life issues
- Improving SDPD emergency response times with the hiring of more officers
- Addressing long wait times on the non-emergency phone line by hiring more dispatchers

Residents also met the leadership of SDPD Northeastern Division, including Captain Christopher Knighten, Lieutenant Natalie Stone, Lieutenant Duane Voss, Officer Christina Santos and Officer Julie Dragt. I encourage you to meet them again at National Night Out on August 7 at SDPD Northeastern in Rancho Peñasquitos.

For the Facebook live recording, please visit <https://www.facebook.com/CouncilmanMarkKersey/>.



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Rancho Bernardo RSVP Provides Free Child Fingerprinting



Rancho Bernardo Retired Service Volunteer Patrol (RSVP) plays a vital role in the community, working closely with SDPD Northeastern Division to provide services such as daily YANA (You Are Not Alone) check-ups, vacation house checks, traffic control assistance, community parking lots patrols and free child fingerprinting at community events.

For Fiscal Year 2018, I provided the Rancho Bernardo RSVP a grant from my District Five Community Programs, Projects and Services (CPPS) funding to update their fingerprinting system and technology, replacing dated ink and paper methods. They used it for the first time at the RB Alive Street Fair and had a consistent line of families all day! The fingerprints they provide are a readily available reference for parents in the event a child goes missing.

Rebuilding San Diego: Vision Zero for the Safety of Pedestrians, Cyclists and Motorists



Learn how you can become a safer driver, cyclist and pedestrian on the City's new Vision Zero portal at <http://www.sandiego.gov/vision-zero>.

The new online hub outlines the City's Vision Zero safety initiative, providing residents with resources on traffic incidents in their neighborhood

and the City's solutions to improve safety and create "safe roads for all modes."

The City's Vision Zero safety initiative, in coordination with the Pedestrian Master Plan and Bicycle Master Plan, has a goal of zero traffic-related fatalities by 2025.

I highlighted funding for Vision Zero infrastructure as a priority throughout the development of the Fiscal Year 2019 budget. The final FY19 budget includes \$18 million for projects to support Vision Zero safety goals, including bike facilities, sidewalks, traffic signals, crosswalks and traffic calming measures

Business Spotlight: Code Ninjas



Code Ninjas is a coding/computer programming center for kids ages 7-14. Opened by Raj Rajendran, owner of the Rancho Bernardo location, Code Ninjas empowers kids to learn code through engaging game-based curriculum that teaches teamwork, logic, math and problem solving. They had their grand opening in May and

are now holding coding camps this summer.

Learn more at <https://www.codeninjas.com/camps/ca-san-diego-rancho-bernardo/>

Out in the Community



At the Wildfire Community Preparedness Day, hosted by the Scripps Ranch Fire Safe Council.
Photo by: Ralph LoVuolo



At the 2018 Fiesta de los Peñasquitos parade and street fair, honoring students who are making an impact in their schools and neighborhoods.



Touring Home Start Thrift Boutique, which provides young mothers in the Maternity Shelter Program with the opportunities to develop job skills, work experience and greater independence.



Recognizing the North San Diego Business Chamber at the RB Alive Street Fair, for 30 years of organizing and supporting businesses of all sizes in the north San Diego region.



At the new San Diego Airport Terminal 2 Parking Plaza Ribbon-Cutting, where airport passengers now have easy and quick access to the terminal. Features include public-art pieces and the ability to reserve and pay for spaces in advance.



At Walker Child Development Center where I read "The Pout-Pout Fish is Far, Far from Home" to celebrate Words Alive Day. Words Alive highlights how literacy is the foundation of community and economic development and how we can help our youth foster a love for reading.

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Community Calendar

Summer Reading Program

Through August 1, All 35 San Diego Public Library Locations

<https://www.sandiego.gov/public-library/kidsandteens/summerreading>

Summer Fun Café

Through August 17, Various Locations

<https://www.sandiegounified.org/summer-fun-cafe>

San Diego Parks Fit Summer Fitness Challenge

Through August 18, All San Diego Rec Centers

<https://www.sandiego.gov/ParksFitSD>

Scripps Ranch Farmers Market

Saturdays, 10380 Spring Canyon Road

<http://www.srfm.org/>

PQ Certified Farmers Market

Saturdays, Salmon River Rd. and Fairgrove Ln.

<https://www.facebook.com/PQCertifiedFarmersMarket/>

Coding Camp– Week 1– JAVA

July 11, Rancho Peñasquitos Library

<http://sandiego.librarymarket.com/coding-camp-week-1-java-0>

Summer Movies in the Park– Coco

July 14, Los Peñasquitos Adobe

<http://www.summermoviesinthepark.com/moviecalendar/coco-196/>

Tech Academy for Girls

July 14, Rancho Peñasquitos Library

<http://sandiego.librarymarket.com/tech-academy-girls>

Symphony in the Park

July 15, Hoyt Park

<http://www.symphonyninthepark.org/schedule.html>

Eight Steps to Quitting Tobacco

July 24, Sabre Springs/CMR Rec Center

<https://www.sharp.com/health-classes/eight-steps-to-quitting-tobacco-seminar-2165/section-31966>

Get It Done San Diego

Get It Done San Diego is the official app for reporting non-emergency problems to the City of San Diego. You can report problems like potholes, graffiti or illegal dumping and connect directly to the City's work tracking system. Download the mobile app and learn more at

<https://www.sandiego.gov/get-it-done>



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